

HOUSE No. 1171

By Mr. Larkin of Pittsfield, petition of Peter J. Larkin and others
for legislation to establish a pilot program to encourage later start
times for high schools. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Peter J. Larkin Susan C. Tucker
Patricia D. Jehlen

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE OF
TEENAGERS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the
2 board of education is hereby directed to establish a pilot program
3 to encourage post 8:30 a.m. high school start times throughout the
4 commonwealth. The board shall establish guidelines for imple-
5 mentation of the program, including a review of the impact of a
6 later start time on high school students' academic performance
7 and attendance.